(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that India is acquiring high-speed computers to track the global weather patterns that create the monsoon rains; and

(d) if so, what are the salient features of these computers and what is the estimated amount of foreign exchange involved in acquiring them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) A letter of intent has already been placed for the CRAY XMP/24 Super Computer System. This computer system will be used for the coordinated programme of medium range weather research and forecasting.

(d) The CRAY XMP/24 is a super computer with a speed of approximately 800 M FLOPS (Million Floating Point Operations per second) 9600 Mega bytes of disc space and 32 Mega bytes of main memory. The approximate cost of the system is 11 million dollars.

कार्यक्रमों का हिन्दी में प्रसारण

1610. **श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव** : क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सिर्फ अंग्रेजी में प्रसारित होने वाले कार्यक्रम कौन-कौन से हैं और इसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ख) क्या सरकार राजभाषा के प्रचार के लिए इन कार्यक्रमों का हिन्दी में भी प्रसारण करने का विचार रखती है; और

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि हिन्दी में समाचार देने वाली दो समाचार एजेंसियों को बन्द कर दिया गया है ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजीत पांजा) : (क) और (ख) ऐसा कोई कार्यक्रम नहीं है जो अनन्य रूप से अंग्रेजी में ही प्रसारित किया जाता हो । कार्यक्रमों को हिन्दी अंग्रेजी तथा क्षेत्रीय भाषा (ओं) बोली (यों) में प्रसारित किया जाता है । आकाशवाणी केन्द्र बुनियादी रुप से अपने-अपने सेवा क्षेत्र की भाषा (ओं) बोली (यों) में कार्यक्रम प्रसारित करते हैं । आकाशवाणी द्वारा राष्ट्रीय संजाल में कार्यक्रम हमेशा हिन्दी और अंग्रेजी में प्रसारित किए जाते हैं । वार्ताओं, रूपकों, सामयिक मामलों, स्पाट लाइट इत्यादि के राष्ट्रीय कार्यक्रमों जैसे राष्ट्रीय कायक्रमों को अंग्रेजी और हिन्दी में साथ साथ प्रसारित किया जाता है ।

(ग) दो हिन्दी समाचार एजेंसयों को बन्द करने का सरकार ने कोई निर्णय नहीं लिया । वस्तुत: यह ऐसा करने की स्थिति में नहीं है, क्योंकि प्रेस की स्वतन्त्रता के प्रति अपनी दृढ़ प्रतिबद्धता के अनुकरण में यह समाचार पत्रों तथा समाचार एजेंसियों के आंतरिक कार्य संचालन में हस्तक्षेप नहीं करना चाहेगी । तथापि, भाषाई समाचार पत्रों के प्रमुख संपादकों तथा मालिकों ने इस बात को स्वीकार किया है कि ये दो समाचार एजेंसियाँ पिछले वर्ष लगभग निष्क्रिय हो गई थीं तथा फिर से काम करने की स्थिति में नहीं रही थीं ।

Persons below Poverty Line in U.P.

1611. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of persons below poverty line in Uttar Pradesh as at the beginning of the Seventh Five Year Plan; and

(b) the number of persons brought above the poverty line during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Statewise estimates of poverty are worked out by the Planning Commission, based on the quinquennial survey on Household Consumption Expenditure conducted by the National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO). The latest NSSO Survey on Household consumption expenditure was conducted in January to December, 1983 in their 38th Round. Based on the 1983 NSSO Survey, the number of persons below the poverty line in Uttar Pradesh was estimated at 530.6 lakhs in 1983-84. The number of persons below the poverty line in Uttar Pradesh as at the beginning of the Seventh Five Year Plan has not been estimated.

(b) The number of persons brought above the poverty line in Uttar Pradesh during the last two years has not been estimated. However, in Uttar Pradesh the Progress of implementation of the 3 Poverty Alleviation Programmes viz.:—

(1) the Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP),

(2) National Rural Employment Programme (NREP); and

(3) Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme (RLEGP) during the last 2 years i.e. 1984-85, 1985-86 and targets for 1986-87 are given below:

Programme	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87
(1) *IRDP*	lakhs	lakhs	lakhs
Target (No. of families to be asisted)	5.32	5.43	6.02
Achievement (No. of families actually assisted)	6.95	5.81	Not available
(2) *NREP*			
Target (mandays of employment to be generated)	495	427	38
Achievement (mandays of employment actually generated)	517	497	Not ava
(3) *RLEGP*			
Target (mandays of employment to be generated)	456	385	390
Achievement (mandays of employment actually generated)	506	407	Not available

From the above table it can be seen that in all poverty-alleviation programmes, the actual achievement has exceeded the target in Uttar Pradesh in 1984-85 and 1985-86.

Prosecutions against Industries for Violation of Anti-pollution Laws

1612. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of industries found violating the provisions of anti-pollution laws during 1985 and in the current year; and

(b) what is the number of prosecutions launched against managements of the guilty industries causing health hazards during the same period, Statewise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a)